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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please add the following claims 56-73:

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56. A process for propagating viewing assets, the process comprising:

copying a missing portion of a replica of a selected viewing asset to storage of a target device in response to determining that a priority to propagate the selected asset to the target device is higher than a retention value of a replica of one or more viewing assets stored on the target device.

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57. The process of claim 56, wherein copying further comprises:

writing the missing portion of the replica of the selected asset onto the storage medium of the target device that previously stored a portion of the replica of one or more viewing assets.

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58. The process of claim 56, further comprising:

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